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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Lucius M. Sherwin Docket No.: TI-30661
Serial No: TBD Examiner: TBD
Filed: 08/02/01 Art Unit: TBD
For: A PARTICLE DETECTION AND REMOVAL APPARATUS FOR USE ON
WAFER FABRICATION EQUIPMENT TO LOWER TOOL RELATED
DEFECTS FROM PARTICLE CONTAMINATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

August 2, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above referenced application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, before line 1, insert --This application claims priority under 35 USC §

A1 119(e)(1) of provisional application numbers 60/224,434 filed 08/10/00.--